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Licensing and Credentials Committee Open Meeting Minutes

Friday May 21, 2021 1:30 p.m.

Call to Order

Dr. Adarve, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Ranier Adarve, DMD, Chair Priscilla Flynn, DH, DrPH, MPH Connie Bye, Public Member Ashley Johnson, DMD

Board Staff Present

Bridgett Anderson, Executive Director Joyce Nelson, Director of Licensing Thamyr Obas, Admin. Asst. Kathy Johnson, Legal Analyst

Approval of Draft Agenda

The draft agenda was reviewed and approved.

Review and Approval of Past Meeting Minutes

The March 26, 2021 meeting minutes were reviewed.

Dr. Adarve made a motion to approve the March 26, 2021 minutes as submitted.

SECOND: Ms. Bye

RESULT: Motion Passed

Unfinished Business

a. Full Faculty consideration for Emeritus Active Status:

The Committee continued discussion on whether or not to consider allowing a Full Faculty dentist to apply for the Emeritus Active status. The Committee agreed that this would not be in line with the intent of the Statute, and unanimously voted not to allow.

New Business

b. Clinical Waiver Requests:

Kendall James, DDS

In reference to MN. Statute 150A.06, subdivision 3a, applicant is asking Committee to waive the requirement of taking the American Written Boards, and allow him to apply for a Specialty license by Credentials. This would be based on his post-doctoral training in Prosthodontics, and passing the NDEB of Canada.



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MOTION: Ms. Flynn made a motion to grant this waiver request.

SECOND: Ms. Bye

RESULT: Motion Passed

Alessandro Villa, DDS

In reference to MN. Rule 3100.7000, subparts 1 & 2, applicant is asking Committee to grant a variance to the advertising Rule, and let him advertise as a Specialist in Oral Medicine, based on his meeting the Statutory requirement for Specialty license, and the fact that the Board of Dentistry will soon be adopting rules to add Oral Medicine to this section of the law.

MOTION: Dr. Adarve made a motion to grant this variance.

SECOND: Ms. Flynn RESULT: Motion Passed

Guilherme Argenta, DDS

In reference to MN. Statute 150A.06, subdivision 3a, applicant is asking Committee to waive the 5 year requirement for his written boards, as he passed that in 2016, and allow him to apply for initial license by exam for a general dental license.

MOTION: Dr. Adarve made a motion to grant this waiver.

SECOND: Ms. Flynn RESULT: Motion Passed

Mallory Martens, DH

In reference to MN. Statute 150A.06, subdivision 3a, applicant is asking Committee to recognize her NDHEB that is over five years, and allow her to apply for an initial license by exam for a dental hygiene license.

MOTION: Ms. Flynn made a motion to grant this waiver request.

SECOND: Dr. Johnson RESULT: Motion Passed

Melinda (Frederickson) Zabel, DA



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In reference to MN. Statute 150A.06, subdivision 3a, applicant is asking Committee to recognize her Dental Assisting State Licensure Exam that is slightly over the five years, and allow her to apply for an initial license by exam for a dental assisting license.

MOTION: Ms. Flynn made a motion to grant this waiver request.

SECOND: Ms. Bye

RESULT: Motion Passed

c. Future topics of discussion for Open Meetings:

Bridgett requested that the Committee look at any possible discussion they would like to have regarding any licensure Statutes or Rules, as she is moving forward with a legislative bill next session for some changes.

Ms. Flynn did indicate that she would like discussion surrounding barriers to collaborative practice. She indicated that although some of the issues are related to billing, perhaps the Committee could look at ways to support, clarify and consider changing Statutes related to this matter.

The Committee did not identify any specific dates for future open sessions at this time.

MOTION: Dr. Adarve made a motion to adjourn the open meeting at 2:30 p.m.

SECOND: Ms. Bye

RESULT: Motion Passed

Ranier Adarve, DDS, MS Committee Chair Date